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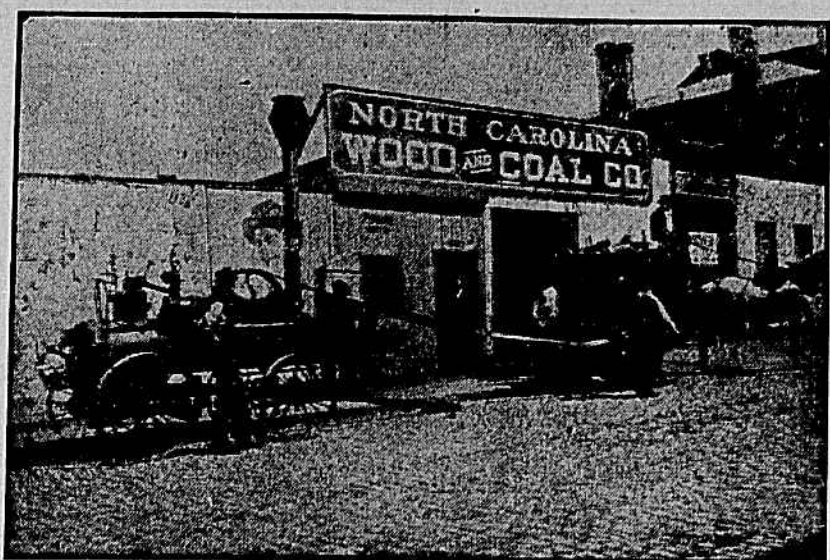
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Two Leading Brook Ave. Merchants. Others Next Sunday

THE BEST WE EAT GROWN IN SOUTH

Truck Growing Industry Becoming Great Factor in Standardization of Nation's Diet.

CROPS LARGER EACH YEAR

Increasing Importance of Fruit and Vegetable Culture in Virginia and Other States.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

BALTIMORE, May 16.—Discussing the Southern truck-growing industry as a factor in the standardization of a nation's diet, the Manufacturers' Record says this week:

"Nineteen solid carloads of strawberries passed through Rocky Mount, N. C., one day last week on their way to the Northern markets, seven of them bound to New York, six to Philadelphia, four to Boston, and one each to Pittsburgh and Syracuse. Atlanta commission men calculate that, barring accidents, Georgia will ship this year at least 6,000 carloads of peaches, valued at \$2,000,000, a record-breaking crop. Mr. J. N. Mallory, the industrial agent of the Central of Georgia Railroad, has recently made public figures showing that in Georgia there are now 6,498,155 bearing peach trees, 376,685 peach trees that will come to bearing this season, 26,515 bearing plum trees, 28,105 bearing pear trees, 1,600 bearing fig trees, 2,000 bearing cherry trees, 3,015 bearing pomegranate trees, 900 bearing Japan plum trees, 4,662 acres planted in watermelons, 4,122 acres in cantaloupes and 521 acres in potatoes and other vegetables. From the coast country of Texas there is now a heavy movement of truck, one road handling 61 carloads in two days last week. The watermelon movement from Texas is about beginning, and from the territory south of San Antonio it is expected that at least 1,000 carloads of melons will move within the next two or three weeks.

The Country's Market Garden.

"These facts are indications of the steady expansion of the area in the South that is rapidly becoming the great market garden for the country, and from which thousands of cars are annually carrying to Northern and Western markets fruits and vegetables approaching in value \$100,000,000. The trucking industry, originating in the Norfolk section of Virginia about half a century ago, has within the past twenty or twenty-five years, and especially during the past ten years, extended down the coast to the Mexican border, and is firmly planted in the highlands of Arkansas, Tennessee and Virginia. The procession of early fruits and vegetables northward and eastward now begins to swell its annual volume from Texas and Florida in January or February, and the strawberries, watermelons, cantaloupes, peaches, apples, cabbage, kale, sprouts, tomatoes, yams and other fruits and vegetables not only are striking evidences of the tendency to diversification in Southern agriculture, but are potent contributors to the standardization of the national menu.

Source of Great Profit.

"The growth of the industry has almost dramatic ramifications. In a comparatively small area near Wilmington, N. C., for instance, land that ten years ago was worth hardly \$5 an acre is now held at \$250 an acre. From it are shipped annually from 300,000 to 500,000 crates of berries; the net profits from 5,282 acres in strawberries in 1907 having amounted to \$368,872. Other net profits were: Lettuce, one and one-half acres, \$37,377; cucumbers, one-half acre, \$34,600; onions, two-fifths acre, \$78,957; cauliflower, one-ninth acre, \$57,400; beets, one-half acre, \$38,900; turnips, one-quarter acre, \$35,600; cabbage, one and one-half acres, \$123,585; beans, one acre, \$17,727; eggplants, one-half acre, \$114,657; eggplants, one-half acre, \$38,217; tomatoes, seven-eighths acre, \$86,371; peppers, one-eighth acre, \$10,850.

Secure Large Yield.

"One county in South Carolina near Charleston yields each season 1,500,000 in cabbages or young cabbages, plants \$350,000 in Irish potatoes, \$500,000 in cucumbers, \$200,000 in greens, \$135,000 in strawberries, \$100,000 in asparagus, \$100,000 in green peas, \$10,000 in sweet potatoes, and \$100,000 in beets, lettuce, radishes, etc. From the Chattanooga (Tenn.) section, increasing shipments

GOVERNMENT WILL LOOK TO TOBACCO

Uncle Sam to Spend Some of His Cash Investigating Tobacco Culture.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 16.—Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, will expend \$5,000 during the present year on tobacco investigations in Virginia. These experiments were begun by the Bureau of Soils in 1904, having for the object the improvement of dark and fire cured tobaccos in the Appomattox region by better methods of crop rotation and farm practice.

The Virginia Experiment Station co-operates in the work of the Department of Agriculture, furnishing two assistants. The work is handled from the general standpoint of improving farm practice, as a whole, rather than from the standpoint of tobacco alone. Last year \$4,000 was spent for this purpose in Virginia. Very important results have been secured and the demonstrations are attracting wide attention. It has been shown that it is necessary to rotate the tobacco crop with other general farm crops, and that profitable yields of grass, wheat and other crops can be secured in the tobacco fields, and the soil improved for the growing of tobacco. The results of experiments demonstrate that the use of much more intensive methods of culture are desirable. An increased and more intelligent use of fertilizers on limited areas will produce more profitable results than the present more extensive system of farm practice. Improved strains of Virginia tobaccos are being produced by seed selection and breeding. Secretary Wilson will use \$5,500 for this work in Florida this year, \$6,000 in Texas, \$3,500 in Alabama, and smaller amounts elsewhere.

As the demand for Virginia grown tobaccos become greater and greater, there is also a more constant demand for more scientific experiments, such as are now being carried on throughout the State.

Millions of Cigarettes.

The cigarette output in the United States for March shows an increase in quantity for both periods. The figures are: March, 1908, 324,607,548; March, 1907, 206,194,788; a gain of 18,412,860 cigarettes. During the first nine months of the fiscal year the number of cigarettes manufactured was 2,725,153,181; during the corresponding period of the preceding year, 254,906,345, an increase of 149,240,836 cigarettes.

Large Shipments of Truck.

WASHINGTON, N. C., May 16.—Large freight trains are passing through this city daily over the Norfolk and Southern Railroad loaded with garden truck and early vegetables. The average train consists of fifty-four cars. The freight and passenger business of this road in this section of the State is constantly increasing in volume and adding to the business interests of this city largely.

Putting in New Phone System.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] PULASKI, Va., May 16.—The Virginia and Tennessee Telephone Company is putting in a new system in Pulaski, which will be hailed with delight by all of its subscribers. They have a large force of hands doing the work, and the job of putting in the new poles and wiring will be pushed with all possible speed.

Buy Telephone Business Cheap.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] CLAREMONT, Va., May 16.—The Claremont Telephone Company's franchise and equipment were sold at public auction Saturday by the county sheriff to satisfy a claim of the receiver of the Bank of Claremont, G. P. Harrison, of Burrowsville, was the purchaser, and the price paid was \$105.50.

Insurance Man Makes Change.

George W. Hodgson, a well-known insurance man, has recently been appointed district agent of the Provident Life and Trust Company of Philadelphia, with offices in the American National Bank Building. Mr. Hodgson for the past few years has been connected with the Equitable Life Assurance Society, and has a wide acquaintance in Richmond, where he has resided for many years. This appointment, coming as a promotion, is a well-deserved tribute to his ability. After the inauguration of the Bureau of Insurance in Virginia last year the Provident Life decided to enter this State. It now has offices in many of the larger cities.

Good Profit on Farm Deal.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] LEXINGTON, Va., May 16.—Mr. L. D. Hamrick has sold to Mr. L. D. Hamrick one-half of the Mulberry Hill farm, of 252 acres, situated one mile northwest of Lexington. The price was \$15,000. Mr. Wilson bought the farm two years ago from the heirs of the late Professor James J. White, paying therefor \$10,000. One-half at \$15,000 indicates a considerable rise in farm lands in so short a time.

BUSINESS LIVELY ON BROOK AVENUE

Old Stage Road Becomes Busy City Street—People Want It Widened.

The winding and at times rather narrow thoroughfare known as Brook Avenue, in this city, was formerly called Brooke road, and was named for a once noted man named Charles Brooke. It was, and is yet, called Brooke road as far beyond the city as Yellow Tavern, six miles out, although the avenue and the road are now improperly spelled Brook. It crosses Bacon's Quarter branch, a stream that is famed in ancient history. The road goes to the noted Yellow Tavern battlefield, where General Stuart received his fatal wound, and where a monument has been erected to his memory.

The road and the avenue were the old stage coach line in the days before railroads were built, and the regular stages that carried passengers from Richmond to Washington, and vice versa, rumbled over them. The old tavern, where the stages held up, and which was nearly always crowded with travelers, still stands, and is now owned by E. T. Long, and is occupied by several families. The old tavern is a roomy two-story framed house, extending from No. 223 to No. 229.

Much Business Done.

Brook Avenue, extending from Broad Street to the city limits at Bacon Quarter branch, has become one of Richmond's very busy sections. Many manufacturing establishments are located on it, and an immense business in the grocery, feed, fertilizer and seed lines is done there.

The merchants engaged in these lines have not only a large city trade, but do an immense business with the country people. It is probable that more fertilizers, seeds and feedstuffs are sold to country people from Brook Avenue than from any other one street in Richmond.

Street Cars, Etc., Needed.

The avenue is just the zigzag shape and just the limited width at various points. It was when it was simply Brook road, having never been widened

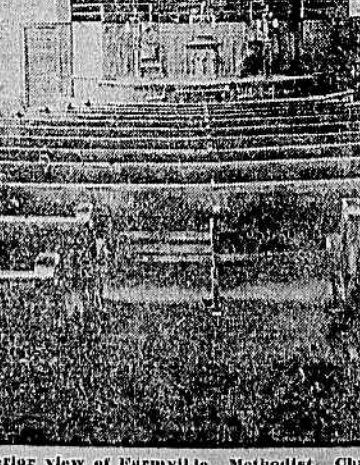
CHURCH DEDICATED RECENTLY

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Interior view of Farmville Methodist Church.

A NEW FIRM AND OLD NAME.

The old and favorably known firm of Julius Sytle's Sons was recently dissolved by the retirement of Mr. Lee Sytle. The other brothers, Messrs Sam and Sydney Sytle, will continue in business under the old firm name and at Nos. 291 and 293 East Broad Street.

They will conduct a dry goods and "everything ready to wear" establishment that in all respects will be strictly up-to-date. These young men have been trained up in this line of business in Richmond, and if they do not know the wants of the local and State trade, it is no use for anybody else to try to find them out.

Their long experience and familiarity with the demands of the trade place them in a position to cater to the same that is not enjoyed by everybody.

To-morrow at DURHAM'S

To-morrow, as well as on the day following, the busy housewife may spend her time most profitably at Durham's. It requires merely a glance to see the superiority of our qualities and the smallness of our prices. Cash works most wonderful things here—really, you don't know the true worth of a dollar until you invest one here in Pure Food Groceries—and by "pure" we mean all that the word implies. Some specials follow:

Elgin Butter, per pound 29c
Fancy Whole Grain Rice, per pound 8c
Large Queen Olives, per quart 25c
Small Sugar-Cured Hams, five to seven pound size, per pound 13½c
4 pounds nice Prunes for 25c
Small California Hams, 8 to 5 lbs., per pound 9½c
Swift's Butterine, 2 lbs. for 25c
Full Cream Cheese, 1 lb. or, 3 pounds for 50c
Wrigley's Sand Soap, per cake 4c
Country Butter, fresh and sweet, per pound 21c

Old Durham Vinegar, absolute pure, per bottle, 10c; or, 3 for 25c
10-pound package Table Salt for 8c
Superlative Flour, per bag 35c
3-pound cans White California Cherries 29c
Shredded Wheat Biscuit, per package 12c
Jowls, per pound 5½c
Large Lemons, per dozen 15c
Ross's Lime Juice, one-quart bottles, per bottle 45c
Perfection Flour, per barrel, \$5.50; per sack 35c

Do You Drink Cold Tea?

Don't forget that we are giving away 3 pounds of Granulated Sugar with every pound of our excellent Mixed Tea at 45c.

TO THE PUBLIC

I beg to notify the public that I am no longer connected with my former stores on Main Street and Cary Street. My entire time is now devoted to my central stores, Nos. 511-513 and 515 E. Marshall Street, where for twelve years I have served you. RICHARD T. DURHAM.

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